

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 and 56 stand rejected by the examiner. Assignee traverses the rejections of the claims.

DRAWINGS

The drawings were objected to as not being presentable. Corrected drawings are submitted herein and thus Assignee respectfully requests that the instant objection be withdrawn.

CLAIM REJECTIONS - 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1, 8-9, 11-12, 15-16 and 56 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1, 8-9, 11-12, 15-16 and 56 have been amended to address these issues, accordingly favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

CLAIM REJECTIONS - 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-14 and 56 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Travis et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,422,999) in view of Wong et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,216,152). Claims 15-22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Travis et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,422,999) in view of Wong et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,216,152) and further in view of Liu (U.S. Patent No. 5,953,005). Assignee traverses the instant rejection.

Claim 1 is directed to a method of managing a set of digital assets that are transmitted over a communications network. More specifically, claim 1 recites in combination with its other

limitations that for each digital asset, a destination is determined for each digital asset based on the asset type, and the digital assets are distributed to the appropriate destinations.

Assignee agrees with the examiner that the Travis reference does not disclose for each asset that an asset type is determined, a destination is determined for each digital asset based on the asset type, and the digital assets are distributed to the appropriate destinations. However, assignee respectfully disagrees that the Wong reference teaches such limitations.

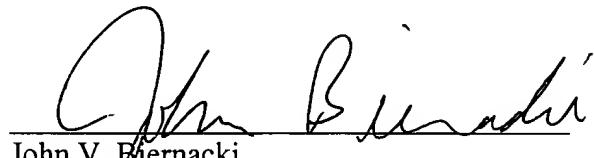
For example, assignee disagrees with the office action assertion that the Wong reference teaches at the following locations in Wong that a destination is determined for each asset based on the asset type and that the assets are distributed to the appropriate destinations: col. 2, lines 31-32; col. 7, lines 5-14 and lines 22-28; module 400, figure 4. Wong at col. 2, lines 31-32 does not disclose distributing a digital asset to a destination, but instead discloses how to properly load a class within a virtual machine. Still further Wong at col. 7, lines 5-14 (which discusses module 400, figure 4) and col. 7, lines 22-28 do not disclose distributing a digital asset to a destination, but instead only provides additional details about how to load a class within a virtual machine. Accordingly, the Wong reference whether considered alone or in combination with Travis does not teach or suggest the limitations of claim 1, and thus claim 1 and its dependent claims are allowable.

Claim 56 recites in combination with its other limitations that for each digital asset, a destination is determined for each digital asset based on the asset type, and the digital assets are distributed to the appropriate destinations. Because the Wong reference whether considered alone or in combination with Travis does not teach or suggest such limitations of claim 56, claim 56 is allowable.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Assignee respectfully submits that claims 1-22 and 56 are allowable. Therefore, the examiner is respectfully requested to pass this case to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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